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1-61 (cancelled).

62. A memory for storing data in a computer, the memory comprising:

a computer-readable storage medium; and

(1) at least one user data structure stored in the medium, the user data structure comprising data concerning one or more users, where for each user, there exists one or more fields providing contact information for the user, where the user may be an expert or a customer,

(2) an expert data structure stored in the medium, the expert data structure comprising data concerning one or more experts, where, for each expert, there exists

(a) one or more fields defining at least one time period of availability of the expert for performing a project, and

(b) one or more fields defining at least one category of expertise or experience of the expert and the level of expertise or experience of the expert with respect to each such category,

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(3) a project data structure stored in the medium, the project data structure comprising data concerning one or more projects, where, for each project, there exists

- (a) one or more fields identifying the customer within said user data structure,
- (b) one or more fields defining at least one desired time period of availability of an expert for performing the project,
- (c) one or more fields defining the desired level of expertise or experience of the expert in each of one or more categories of expertise or experience, and
- (c) one or more fields defining the level of priority to said customer, for said project, of each of the desired levels of (c) above.

63. The memory of claim 62 in which the project data structure includes the user data structure for the users who are customers, or vice versa.

64. The memory of claim 62 in which the expert is an expert in the biological sciences and the categories of expertise or experience relate to the biological sciences.

65. The memory of claim 62 wherein for each expert, the level of expertise or experience is defined on a hierarchial basis comprising at least two tiers, and for each project, the desired level of expertise or experience and the priority of that desired level is defined on a hierarchial basis comprising at least two tiers.

66. The memory of claim 62 which further comprises a data structure indicating the availability of contact information on one user to another user.

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REMARKS

The undersigned counsel has taken over prosecution.

The draft claims are advanced for purpose of negotiation; they are not to be entered. A telephonic interview with the Examiner and SPE (or other examiner with full signatory authority) is respectfully requested; please call Counsel to schedule it.

Basis for draft claim 62:

expert database: P12, L7

time period of availability: P13, L10-18

areas/categories of expertise: P13, L19-21

user database: P37, L12-17

multiple projects (services) per customer: P49, L10-11

project database: P38, L2-16

time period of availability: P15, L24-P16, L5

expertise: P16, L6-17

priority and/or desired skill level: P15, L13-21.

Respectfully submitted,

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